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In re the application of: J. Wallace Parce et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 17, 2002, Applicants elect Group I that includes claims 1-15.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the subject application, he is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 446-8690.

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Sir:

Applicant noticed in PAIR that the Response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 13, 2002 was not entered in the system (see attached copies of the response and postcard). As the postcard indicates, the PTO received the Response on May 31, 2002.

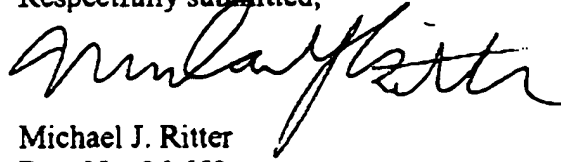
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As Applicant responded in a timely fashion, Applicant requests to have the correspondence considered timely filed pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.8(b). If any additional information is required, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (408) 446-8693.

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